

WAKE FOREST URBAN FORESTRY BOARD

MINUTES

May 13, 2013 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Brian Haines, Sarah Hutchins, Mike Reischman, Brian Smith

Members Absent: Suzanne Beaumont, Anna Faatiliga Berg, Will Opio, Charles

Sheffield, Zachary Donahue (Ex-Officio)

Staff: Evan Keto, Urban Forester

Call to Order

The May 13, 2013 meeting of the Urban Forestry Board was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by Chair Hutchins.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the April 8, 2013 meeting were provided to the UFB with the meeting agenda.

ACTION: Mike Reischman moved to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2013 meeting.

Brian Haines seconded and the motion carried unanimously (4-0).

FY 2013-2014 Budget

The proposed FY 2013-2014 Budget was discussed. The two arborist technician positions requested were not recommended for inclusion in the budget. The recommended total budget for Parks and Recreation is slightly higher than FY2012-2013, but the amount of funding for the urban forestry program is not publicly available. The Board of Commissioners is hosting a public hearing on the budget on May 21, 2013. Brian Haines is planning to attend the hearing to represent the Urban Forestry Board.

Old Business

Education/Outreach

Tree stewards program has 30 trained volunteers, who have begun to assist with different programs.

Tree Nursery

The fence is due to begin May 14th, after which time construction will be possible. There are ~200 trees from the NC Forest Service nursery and the seedling giveaway in pots at the nursery.

| <u>Adjournment</u> | | |
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| The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 | PM. | |
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